WRANGELL AIRPORT WRANGELL, ALASKA EMERGENCY CONTINGENCY PLAN – Revision 1

Wrangell Airport has prepared this Emergency Contingency Plan pursuant to §42301 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012. Questions regarding this plan can be directed to Paul Khera at paul.khera@alaska.gov. Wrangell Airport is filing this plan with the Department of Transportation because it is a commercial airport.

This plan describes how, following excessive tarmac delays and to the extent practicable, Wrangell will:

- Provide for the deplanement of passengers;
- Provide for the sharing of facilities and make gates available at the airport; and
- Provide a sterile area following excessive tarmac delays for passengers who have not yet cleared United States Customs & Border Protection (CBP).

Wrangell Airport is located in Wrangell, Alaska, a remote community with a population of 2,369 (2010 census) that is not connected to any road system. The Wrangell community has very limited resources that limit our ability to accommodate diverted flights or maintain the airport's safe operation. We strongly encourage aircraft operators to contact the airport at (907) 874-3107 for prior coordination of all unscheduled flights, except in the case of a declared in-flight emergency. This airport typically serves a single large air carrier aircraft twice daily at a private air carrier facility which only has equipment and resources for the single large air carrier aircraft (B737). There is no airport owned passenger terminal building and no FBO. The air carrier passenger facilities are privately operated, are typically only staffed during periods of air carrier activity, have very limited sterile areas and do not offer concessions or amenities. The airport has limited hours of attendance/snow removal and requires advance coordination for ARFF availability. Given the lack of existing equipment, gates and jetbridges, it is highly unlikely that a diverted aircraft would be able to deplane passengers at this airport, except in the event of an emergency.

Airport Information

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Airport Category: Non Hub

Contact Information

In the event of diversion or other irregular operations events, aircraft operators should contact airport staff at (907) 874-3107 or william.Bloom@alaska.gov for assistance. Please note that the airport is only staffed and maintained during the hours published in the current edition of the Alaska Supplement.

Plan to Provide for the Deplanement of Passengers Following Excessive Tarmac Delays

Wrangell Airport does not own or operate any of the equipment needed to safely deplane passengers from air carrier aircraft and is, therefore, unable on its own to provide for the deplanement of passengers. Additionally airport personnel are not trained to assist in the deplanement of passengers using equipment owned or operated by air carriers or contract service providers. We will provide a list of airlines, ground handlers, fixed base operators and others who may have the necessary equipment and personnel to safely deplane passengers to airlines as soon as practicable after receiving requests from such airlines experiencing excessive tarmac delays at the contact number listed above.

Plan to Provide for the Sharing of Facilities and Make Gates Available in an Emergency

We do not own, operate or control any passenger facilities. Due to the special circumstances at this Alaskan airport, the gates and passenger terminal building at Wrangell Airport are exclusively owned by an individual air carrier, staffed only during periods of carrier activity, and are not controlled by the airport. We are unable to direct a tenant airline to accommodate another air carrier aircraft at its privately owned facility. We will provide a list of tenants who operate limited passenger facilities and may be able to provide assistance after receiving requests from airlines experiencing excessive tarmac delays at the contact number listed above.

Plan to Provide a Sterile Area for Passengers Who Have Not Cleared United States Customs and Border Protection

We will coordinate with local CBP and law enforcement officials to identify suitable areas and procedures for establishing a temporary sterile area into which international passengers on diverted aircraft who have not yet cleared United States Customs and Border Protection can be deplaned. Once these efforts are complete, we will coordinate with local CBP officials to develop procedures that will allow international passengers who have not yet cleared United States Customs and Border Protection to be deplaned into these sterile areas to the extent practicable.

Contacts for the CBP are:

Wrangell phone: 907-874-3415 Anchorage 24/7 phone number: 907-271-6313

Public Access to the Emergency Contingency Plan

Wrangell Airport will provide public access to its emergency contingency plan by posting in a conspicuous location on the Statewide Aviation website: http://dot.alaska.gov/stwdav/airports_public_southeast.shtml